

REMARKS

In the Restriction Requirement mailed January 4, 2007, the Examiner restricted Claims 12-21 into the following four groups:

- I. Claims 12 and 13, drawn to an acylglyceride having the structure recited in Claim 14;
- II. Claims 14 and 15, drawn to a composition comprising conjugated linoleic acid used for animal feed stuff;
- III. Claims 16-18, 20 and 21 drawn to a process for making acylglycerides enriched with conjugated linoleic acids by the use of lipases; and
- IV. Claim 19, drawn to an acylglyceride intermediate.


Restriction Requirement, page 2. The Applicants herein elect, without traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I. Group I is drawn to an acylglyceride having the structure recited in Claim 14. As the structure recited in Claim 12 is exactly the same as the structure recited in Claim 14, it is unclear why Group I is drawn to the structure recited in Claim 14. As such, the Applicants presume such a distinction was an inadvertent error, and that the Examiner intended to draw Group I to the structure in Claim 12.

The Applicants also herein cancel Claims 14-21 in order to further their business interests and the prosecution of the present application while preserving the right to prosecute the canceled (or similar) claims in the future.

CONCLUSION

As such, Claims 12-13 are pending and under examination following entry of Applicant's response to the outstanding Restriction requirement. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would aid in the prosecution of this application Applicants encourage the Examiner to call the undersigned collect at (608) 218-6900.

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